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WEATHER FORECAST
FINE
Barometer 30.04

February 16, 1914. Temperature 6 a.m. 64, 2 p.m. 66
Humidity 95, 89

February 15, 1913. Temperature 6 a.m. 59, 2 p.m. 61.
Humidity 86, 82.

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TELEGRAMS.

THE AFRICAN TROUBLES. A SPIRITED SPEECH.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Capetown reports that the Hon. Mr. Louis Botha, in defending the Government's action in July and January, described the outbreak of July 5, 1913, as a war on women and children and a murderous attack on the liberties of the people. Johannesburg was in a condition of revolution on July 5.

He had seen many of the tragedies of war, but the situation at Johannesburg was the most terrible of all. Had the Government not made a compact with the strikers, mortifying though it was, the consequences would have been disastrous beyond imagination. With a quarter of a million natives breaking out, and fire and anarchy everywhere, thousands of lives would have been lost and millions of pounds worth of damage done.

He declared that all the generals of the revolutionary commandoes had not been deported; some were sitting in the House at that moment. He, the Hon. Mr. Botha, was firmly convinced that the Labour leaders never desired a settlement of their grievances, many of which did not exist. They were simply the sworn enemies of society. He maintained that no Government had ever done more for the workers. The bulk of railwaymen and miners were excellent men, and it was the duty of the Government to alleviate their lot.

He justified the proclamation of martial law on the grounds that it averted bloodshed, and frustrated the gravest of attacks on the nation, and asked whether it would be better to impair many lives or to banish nine men?

Mr. Botha added that they could have banished the Syndicalists to any part of the globe, but the Ungaai was the only ship available, and therefore England was the most convenient spot.

OIL CONCESSION.

THE STANDARD OIL AGREEMENT.

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's New York correspondent says Mr. Bania, Vice-President of the Standard Oil Company, announces that the Company have entered into an agreement with the Chinese Government for the development of oil-fields in certain Provinces. It is proposed to organize a Chinese-American Company, which will be in partnership with the Standard Oil Company.

The proposal to lend China \$15,000,000 has been dropped. [The information relative to the granting to the concession to the Standard Oil Co. appeared in a special cable to the "Telegraph" which we published on Saturday.]

ADMIRAL RETIRES.

London, Received February 14.
Rear Admiral King Hall has retired.
[Rear Admiral Herbert Goodenough King-Hall joined the Navy in 1875, and is 58 years of age.]

SOUTH AFRICAN LOAN

London, Received February 14.
The underwriters have been saddled with 80 per cent. of the South African Loan.

TELEGRAMS.

AVIATORS' QUARREL. A DUEL WANTED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received February 15.
M. Vedrines, who has arrived in Paris from Egypt, when interviewed, said he would immediately send seconds to M. Quinton, the President of the Aerial League, who recently telegraphed to Cairo advising him to apologise or fight the airman M. Roux. M. Vedrines insists on a duel within 24 hours, stipulating that the duel shall be fought with Service revolvers at ten paces. When it was pointed out that no second would accept such conditions, M. Vedrines replied, "One of us must be wiped out." He would assault M. Quinton if the latter would not fight. He declared that when M. Quinton was settled, he would become a candidate for Parliament, after which he would proceed to Cairo to prepare for a flight to the Cape, which he expects will take a fortnight.

OBITUARY.

RT. HON. THOMAS SINCLAIR.

London, Received February 15.
The death is announced of the Rt. Hon. Thomas Sinclair, P.C. Ireland, D.L., J.P.

[The deceased, who was born on September 23, 1833, was M.A. and Hon. D.Litt. of Queen's University, and Chairman in the affairs of the Irish Presbyterian Church, and was one of the principal framers of Commutation and Substitution Funds after loss of Regium Donum through the Irish Church Act of 1868. He was a leader of the Ulster Liberal Unionist in 1888. He was President of the Ulster Unionist Association 1886-90, and was one of the leading promoters of the Ulster Convention of 1892, Chairman of the Watch Committee of Ulster Convention League 1893-96, vice president of Ulster Defence Union 1893; Chairman of its Council and member of the Recess Committee 1895 and Privy Counsellor 1896; President of the Belfast Chamber of Commerce 1876 and 1902.]

Senator Bacon.

London, Received February 15.
The death is announced from Washington of Senator A.O. Bacon, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee.
[The late Senator Bacon was born on October 20, 1839, and in his early days served in the Army and later practised law. He first sat as Senator in 1894.]

HONOURED.

GOVERNORS-ELECT DECORATED.

London, Received February 14.
The Rt. Hon. Sydney Charles Buxton, the new Governor General of South Africa, and the Rt. Hon. R. O. Munro-Ferguson, the new Governor General of Australia, have been awarded the decoration of G. O. M. G.

TEST CRICKET.

THE FOURTH MATCH.

London, Received February 15.
Reuter's Durban correspondent says the fourth Test match has begun there. South Africa has scored 162 for 8 wickets.

COMING BY-ELECTION.

A SOCIALIST CANDIDATE.

London, Received February 14.
Mr. Courr, a Socialist, is also contesting Bethnal Green in the impending bye-election.

TELEGRAMS.

THE DEPORTATIONS. AUSTRALIAN FEELING.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received February 15.
Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne states that Mr. Andrew Fisher, the late Labour Premier, while condemning the South African deportations, hoped that the Motherland would not interfere with the policies of the Dominions to allow autonomous Governments to manage their own affairs.
The Premier, Mr. Cook, has declined to forward to Mr. Harcourt a number of Trade Union protests against the deportations.

JAPANESE SCANDALS.

NAVAL OFFICERS UNDER DETENTION.

London, Received February 16.
Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that five naval officers, including a Rear Admiral, have been placed under detention by the Navy Department pending the organisation of the Court Martial which is to deal with the corruption case.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

London, Received February 16.
The visit of Their Majesties the King and Queen to Paris begins on April 21.

Later.
The Italian warship Quarta is expelled at Venice, and will escort the Austrian warship Taurus, which is conveying the Prince of Wied to Durazzo.

STEAMER ASHORE.

London, Received February 14.
The Hamburg-America steamer Almeria is aground at Lamu, East Africa. The cruiser Pegasus made a futile attempt to tow the vessel off. The cargo must be discharged before another attempt is made.

CANAL SCANDALS.

A SHOCKING SEQUEL.

London, Received February 16.
Reuter's correspondent at Buffalo states that Mr. Kennedy, the Treasurer of New York State, who was subpoenaed to attend the enquiry into the charges of corruption in connection with canals, has committed suicide by cutting his throat.

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE.

HAS THE MUMPS.

London, Received February 16.
Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the Crown Prince is suffering from mumps.

PRINCE OF WIED

London, Received February 15.
Reuter's Berlin correspondent states that the Prince of Wied has returned there from Rome.

FRENCH ELECTIONS.

London, Received February 16.
The French Parliamentary Elections will take place on April 28.

TELEGRAMS.

DISTRESS IN NEW YORK. THOUSANDS OF UNEMPLOYED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received February 15.
Reuter's New York correspondent states that heavy weather in New York eastern districts is causing extreme distress, and the clearing of New York City is arranged to open the churches as shelters.
It is estimated that there are 300,000 unemployed in the City, and hundreds of thousands in other industrial centres, owing to business stagnation.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL.

IRISH "OCCER" SUCCESS.

London, Received February 15.
The International Association game between England and Ireland at Middlesbrough was witnessed by a crowd of 30,000, the match being played in sunshine. The Irishmen showed dashing form and goals were scored by Lacey and Gillespie. The terms crossed over with Ireland leading by two clear goals.
After change of ends the English forwards made desperate attempts to reduce the lead, but these attempts were unavailing. The issue was placed beyond doubt when Lacey scored a third goal. The final score was:—Ireland 3, England nil.

England Wins Rugby.

London, Received February 15.
An immense crowd assembled at Twickenham on Saturday for the Rugby International between England and Ireland. His Majesty the King was a spectator of the contest, and he was repeatedly and rousing cheered. Mr. Asquith was sitting beside his Majesty, who shook hands with the two captains before the game was commenced. Sunshine, but the turf rather soft.

The Irish forwards were the first to become aggressive, and, following a rush, Lloyd picked up, and dropped a magnificent goal. Later Quinn increased the lead by running over with an unconverted try. Then England infused more spirit and dash into their play, and tries were scored by Roberts and Lowe, from openings which were made by the clever Foulton. There was no more scoring up to half time, Ireland thus crossing over with a lead of single point, seven to six.

Upon the resumption, the English backs repeatedly attacked, and tries were scored by Pillman, Lowe and Davies, the latter being converted by Chapman. Towards the close the Irish player made strenuous endeavours to pull the game round, but could only score one try, this being secured by Jackson, Lloyd converting. There was a big struggle until the end, England eventually winning by 17 points to 12.

MEAT FAMINE.

SERIOUS SITUATION IN SYDNEY.

London, Received February 14.
A meat famine is threatened at Sydney owing to the butchers' employees striking and demanding shorter hours, and ten shillings a week above the award of the Wages Board.

Employers in all branches of the industry have established a federation, and are determined to fight the Trades Unions to a finish. They have also decided to form an insurance fund to help the small traders in the fight.

The price of poultry, fish, eggs, bacon, vegetables and fruit have rushed up rapidly.

TELEGRAMS.

EUROPEAN SITUATION. THE POWERS AND GREECE.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Athens says the representatives of the Powers have presented a Note giving Greece the Aegean Islands now occupied by her, with the exception of Tenos, Embros, and Casteloryzi, and requiring guarantees that the islands shall not be used for naval or military purposes, that the rights of the Moslems be respected, and the islands be not handed over until the Albanian territory is evacuated.

Greece undertakes not to encourage the resistance of the Epitrotes of the Balkan Peninsula. It is expected that the evacuation of the islands by Albania will conclude the Greek and Albanian diplomatic relations which were impending.

Turkey Disappointed.

London, Received February 16.
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the decision of the Powers regarding the Aegean Islands has been communicated to the Porte, and a written reply is requested.
Turkish official circles disappointed and grieved, and it is not improbable that Turkey will endeavour to negotiate direct with Greece for the exchange of the islands occupied by Italy for Chios and Mitylene.

HINDUS IN AMERICA.

A PROFESSOR'S PLEA.

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's Washington correspondent says Subindra Bose, a Professor at Iowa University, appeared before the Immigration Committee in the House of Representatives, and opposed the exclusion of Hindus on the ground that they were a kindred Aryan people, and were entitled to the rights of British subjects.
The Chairman observed that the British Colonies were excluding Hindus, and Professor Bose replied that the Imperial Government had not yet endorsed the exclusions. If it did it would precipitate the fiercest revolution in the world's history.

THE FRENCH ARMY.

TERRIBLE SICK ROLL.

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's Paris correspondent says the Chamber of Deputies debated the epidemics in the Army, caused by overcrowding. Figures were quoted showing over a quarter of a million on the sick list in January, and 280 deaths.

U. S. NAVY.

SIX NEW VICE-ADMIRALS.

London, Received February 14.
The U. S. Senate has passed the Bill creating six Vice-Admirals. It was explained that owing to the lack of Vice-Admirals, the British Commander outranked the American Commander in Mexico.

HOME RULE.

FUNDS FROM AMERICA.

London, Received February 14.
The United Irish League of America has sent Mr. John Redmond \$10,000.
The Irish World (New York) has started a subscription list to help the Nationalist leader.

TELEGRAMS.

MEXICAN UNREST. BRITISH MARINES LAND.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph"]

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's New York Correspondent says a detachment of British bluejackets, with two machine-guns, has been landed at Vera Cruz. The guns were sent to the British Legation at Mexico.

Precautionary Measure.

London, Received February 16.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the despatch of British bluejackets and machine guns is a precautionary measure, due to an intimation from the Ambassador in London to the State Department that the British Legation might be the particular object of attack if the mob gained possession of Mexico City.

SWEDISH CRISIS.

CABINET DILEMMA.

London, Received February 14.
Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm says Baron Gier has been unable to form a Liberal Ministry, and the King has directed Baron Hammarskjöld, a member of the Hague Court of Arbitration, to form a Cabinet.
Baron Hammarskjöld (Conservative) is not a member of the Legislature.

The Constitutional crisis is assuming a serious aspect. The Liberals are refusing to join a Ministry which would support the King in what they regard as an unconstitutional attitude.

RELIGION IN UGANDA.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND APPEAL.

London, Received February 14.
The Bishop of Uganda has issued an appeal for £2,000 with which to start a theological college for the training of native clergy, and £3,000 to provide training schools. He emphasises the keenness of the struggle for Christianity in the Mohammedan regions adjacent to Uganda.

RITUAL MURDER.

London, Received February 14.
As the result of a post-mortem examination of the body of the so-called Christian boy who was murdered at Fastoff, who, it was alleged, was the victim of a ritual murder, it was clearly established that he was a Jew. The father has been arrested.

GALE AT HOME.

TWO STEAMERS LOST.

London, Received February 14.
Two coasting steamers have been lost in the gale on the South Coast, and 19 persons were drowned.

Saigon Shipping.

From the statistics of shipping cleared at Saigon during last year the following figures are taken. There were 266 British ships and 455,825 tons, German 80 ships and 77,184 tons, Japanese 44 ships and 29,156 tons, French 65 ships and 47,279 tons, Norwegian 41 ships and 40,519 tons, Dutch 28 ships and 34,591 tons, Chinese 8 ships and 8,805 tons, Russian 4 ships and 7,892 tons, Swedish 3 ships and 7,892 tons, and American 4 ships and 4,584 tons.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS. CONDENSED.

The starting place of the French-financed railway in China has been changed to Yanchow.

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Turkish official circles are not satisfied with the decision of the Powers regarding the Aegean Islands.

There have been riotous scenes in the Lower House of the Japanese Parliament, a member having to be taken to hospital.

Heavy weather in New York is causing terrible distress, and there are 300,000 unemployed in the city.

The Bishop of Uganda appeals for £2,000 to train native clergy and £3,000 for training schools for teachers at church schools.

The deaths are announced of the Rt. Hon. Thomas Sinclair, and of Senator Bacon, Chairman of the U. S. Foreign Relations committee.

NEWS.

The solution to the Telegraph's Acrostic appears to-day.

Saturday's football and cricket is reported to-day under the heading of local sport.

The Race Meeting opened at Happy Valley to-day under very happy auspices.

The final performance of "The Idol's Eye" was given on Saturday night.

Special arrangements made by the Tramway Company for dealing with Race Week traffic are outlined elsewhere.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Jockey Club Race Meeting
Happy Valley.
Maud Allan at Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.
Maud Allan at Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.
Concert Seamen's Institute, Wednesday, February 18.

Maud Allan at Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.
Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Thursday, February 19.
Ball at Government House.
Saturday, February 21.
A. D. O. Performance Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Thursday, February 26.
Annual meeting Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.—noon.
A. D. O. Performance, Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

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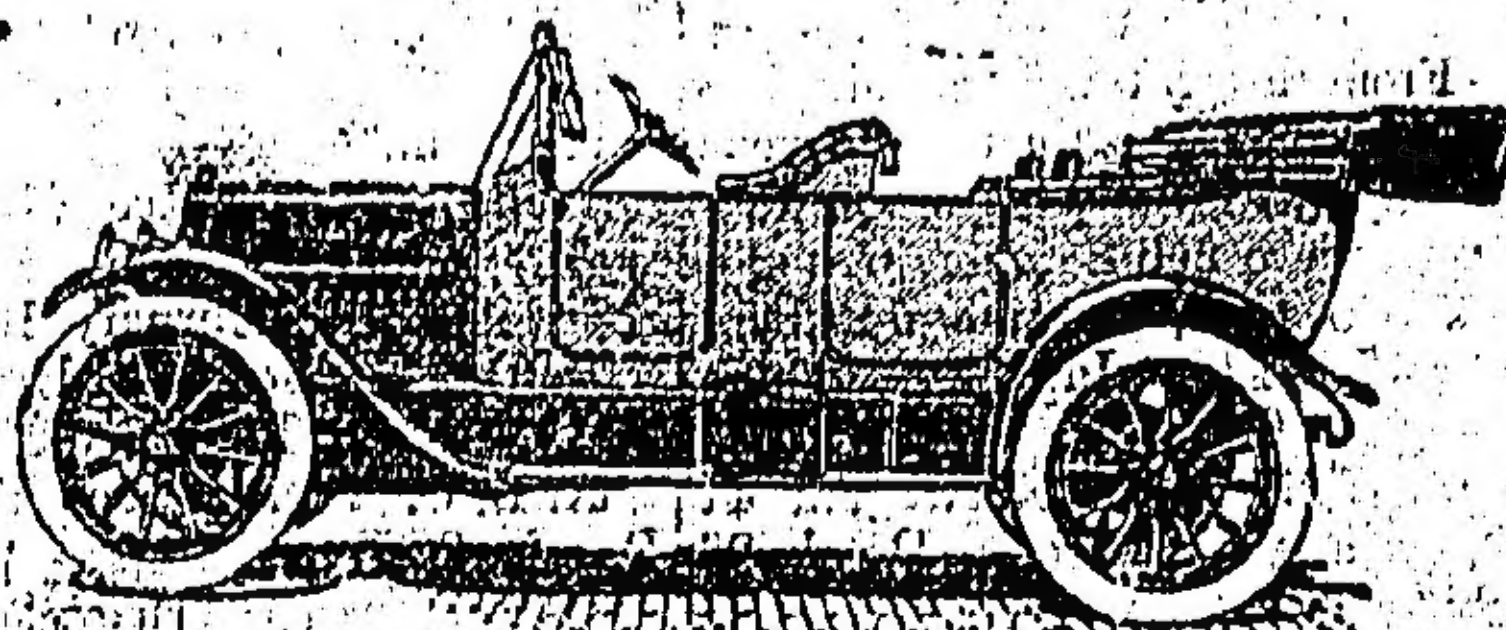
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Daily Press.

The Bank Meeting.
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that, notwithstanding the unrest
which has so widely prevailed in
China during the past year,
with its detrimental effects
upon trade, all the officers of
the Bank have done well, and
have been free from loss with
the exception of Bangkok, where
a loss of about six lakhs has been
calculated for the purpose of the
present Bank statement, though
it is hoped to recover part of this
sum. "Full provision has been
made for this in the meantime."
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Chairman's speech more eloquent
than this of the Bank's strong
position. It is not every Bank
which is in the position to con-
template a loss of two-fifths of its
paid-up capital with so much
equanimity.

South China Morning Post.

The Bank's Year.
The lesson deduced is one that
has often been quoted in these
columns, namely the advantage
accruing to China by the employ-
ment of foreigners of high
character and administrative
ability and experience. In this
connection the interesting an-
nouncement was made that cur-
rency reform, the redemption
of the discounted paper currency
and the repayment of short-term
foreign loans, are at the present
moment under the serious con-
sideration of the Chinese Govern-
ment in consultation with the
Quintuple Group and a scheme is
in preparation which it is hoped
will furnish an effective solution
of these pressing problems.
Kwangtung, which is suffering
more than any other province on
account of a depleted treasury
and inability to restore confi-
dence in its currency, should be
the first to welcome the an-
nouncement and profit thereby.

China Mail.

Western Industries in China.
The current issue (Jan. 16) of
Engineering to hand contains an
interesting article on western
industries in China. The unset-
tled condition of affairs in the
Republic, remarks the writer,
had delayed the progress of
Western industries, but it is
evident that as soon as the oppor-
tunity offers there will be great
developments, as there is in the

GENERAL NEWS.

"Goignade" or "Tango."
If seven cities contended for the honour of enshrining Homer's birthplace, the Tango possesses a still greater number of entirely different pedigrees. The latest theory is that it is a modern version of the 17th century Auvergnade known as the "Goignade," which has returned to the European ballroom in a corrupted form via the Argentine. The fact would seem to be that dances, which are mainly of peasant origin, have developed independently on similar lines in different countries, like the majority of fairy tales.

Funerals of the Poor.
Evidence of the way the poor spend money on funerals was given at a meeting of the Lambeth Guardians, when it was reported that a railwayman earning only 26s. a week spent £50 upon the funerals of his wife and son.

Struck Down by Crucifix.
The Abbe Rochereuil of St. Hilaire du Harcourt at St. Petersburg has been the victim of a strange accident. He was on the altar steps when the large and heavy cross over the tabernacle suddenly fell, striking him on the head. He staggered under the blow, and then fell unconscious.

Oil Workers' Strike.
A telegram dated January 20, from the Union Oil Corporation's fields stated that a general strike of the workmen has been declared.

A Journalistic Centenary.
Although the *Journal des Debats* is now in its 120th year, it has not borne its present title for quite a century. Between 1789 and 1814 it had no fewer than seven different names, most of the alterations corresponding with governmental changes. The journal, which grows in vigour with advancing years, will celebrate the centenary of its appearance under its actual name on March 31, and an interesting history of the paper is to be issued in honour of the event.

La Rochelle Tower Collapsing.
The tower at La Rochelle, which was erected in memory of the siege in 1623, partially collapsed on January 20. The accident is stated to be due to an English collier which made fast to the foot of the tower, or to a steam launch which collided with the dam.

Mrs. Evelyn Shaw.
According to a Kansas City message, Mrs. Evelyn Shaw, wife of Harry Shaw, has announced that she and her son are about to be baptised in the Roman Catholic Church. The announcement, it is added, followed upon an attack delivered upon Mrs. Shaw from the pulpit by a priest.

Inquiry into Short Weight.
The Board of Trade has informed the London and Suburban Traders' Federation that it is intended to recommend that certain aspects of the question of short weight should be investigated by a Select Committee of the House of Commons, but that the precise scope of the inquiry has not yet been settled.

Marked Bread.
The will of Mr. Henry M. Gecheidt, a New York lawyer, and formerly a member of Tammany Hall, contains a bequest of \$30,000 to Trinity Church for the purpose of establishing a free distribution of bread for the poor. The will stipulates that every loaf distributed must be stamped with the name of the testator.

Chaplain Defends Swearing.
"Profanity does not mean swearing," said the Rev. W. H. G. Shepeot, chaplain of Wormwood Scrubs Prison, preaching at St. George's, Harrow. "I have sworn many times, but I do not call myself a profane man. It takes a man of good spirit to get up a swear, and when a man feels deeply, and has righteous indignation in his soul, there is forgiveness when a word topples over."

Cunard Passenger Traffic.
The Cunard Company states that the number of cabin passengers carried in 1913 on west-bound voyages from Liverpool across the North Atlantic was 40,100, and the number of third-class passengers 99,507, making a total of 139,607. These figures show a considerable increase on those for 1912 and are stated to be larger than those of any other line.

SHANGHAI GODOWN FIRE

Thousands of Bales of Cotton Lost

The Loongmow Godowns, Pootung, have again suffered severely by fire, says the *N. C. Daily News* of the 9th inst. On Saturday afternoon the godown built on the site of the 1909 fire, was found to be in flames, and for hours afterwards the fire raged and will probably continue for many hours to come. The godown, which was owned by Messrs. Mackenzie & Co., was full of Tungechow cotton, and the destruction of property includes 18,000 bales of this material. The building itself, which was of reinforced concrete and brick, has been completely wrecked by the outbreak, and the total damage is estimated at well over £1,400,000.

The Outbreak.
The godown which has been destroyed was a building of three floors. The framework of the walls was of reinforced concrete, filled in with brick, while the roof was also of reinforced concrete. The floors, however, are understood to have been of wood. Built in 1910 after the fire above mentioned, it was situated just to the north of the godown which was burnt down in June last. The ground on which this latter building was situated has been cleared preparatory to re-building and at present only the old concrete stairway remains to mark the height of the former structure. Twenty or thirty feet away from this are now the remains of the ill-fated godown.

It is stated that on Thursday and Friday last this godown had not been opened, but on Saturday morning it was opened for the inspection of samples. Apparently everything was all right then, but at half-past two o'clock, when the alarm of fire was conveyed to the authorities, combustion was proceeding among hundreds of bales.

News of the outbreak was sent to the River Police and Shanghai Fire Brigade, and as quickly as possible the fire flaps were on the scene.

A Long Drawn Struggle.
One godown fire is much the same as another, and, already familiar with many cotton fires, the firemen realized that their work would extend over a considerable time. The fire was tackled from all possible quarters, but little could be done except to pour water through the windows upon the burning cotton. When the flames have secured a firm hold upon such a quantity of cotton as was to be found here, it is practically a foregone conclusion that the whole place is doomed.

Hour after hour the cotton burnt fiercely, and it was impossible for the firemen to do anything more than ensure the safety of the neighbouring buildings. Daylight passed into darkness without any slackening of the fire, and from the Shanghai side the outbreak now made an interesting spectacle. At certain angles the windows could be seen standing out in vivid red in the darkness, while the searchlight of H.M.S. Newcastle, which was playing on the burning building, showed up the firemen at their work. The Newcastle had rendered great assistance to the Fire Brigades, for besides sending landing party on shore, its searchlight gave the firemen a better chance of handling their work.

Collapse of Godown.
Up till 2 a.m. on Sunday, when the fire had been burning for about twelve hours, the Brigades had been unable to do anything but pour water through the windows. At this hour, however, the first sign of collapse was seen. The floors, weakened by the flames, had evidently gone under the weight of cotton, and they now brought with them the western end of the building. Happily the walls fell inwards. The fall of this part of the structure twisted the remainder of the walls, and reinforced concrete pillars could be seen bent and buckled, while the roof was broken in all directions. About five o'clock, three hours after the first collapse had occurred, the eastern end of the godown went, and now except at intervals the building was no higher than the first floor.

During the night the firemen had been working in shifts, for the only thing to do was to continue drenching down, and daylight

CHINA MUTUAL LIFE

ACTION.

Defendant Mulcted in Costs.

Judgment was delivered at the Mixed Court at Shanghai on the 6th inst. by Mr. Grant Jones, the British Assessor, sitting with Magistrate Sun, in the case in which the China Mutual Life Insurance Co., Ltd., claimed £15,500 damages against Hsu Kiating, a director of the China United Assurance Company, for libel, the alleged libel having been published in the *National Herald*, a Chinese newspaper.

In the course of his judgment, the Assessor said:—The reputation of a life insurance company is like the reputation of a woman; the least breath of suspicion is sufficient to work irreparable harm, especially in a country such as this where the people are prone to panic, and for that reason and because they are, as was said by the learned Judge in the Supreme Court, "dealing with the blood and brains of the people," it is incumbent upon foreign insurance companies in this country to not with the utmost circumspection. In my opinion the plaintiff company have courted whatever damages they may have sustained in tort, however, and especially in libel, where the damages are large, the measure may, perhaps, be said to be rather the iniquity of the defendant than the injury accruing to the plaintiff. Having regard to all the circumstances I think justice will be done if I enter judgment for the plaintiff and direct that all the costs of this action be defrayed by the defendant.

found them still at it. Behind the walls and under the ruined roof the cotton could be seen burning with undiminished fury, no huge solid mass of fire, and obviously there was still much work to be done. At the eastern end of the godown, where the collapse of the wall had been greater than elsewhere, it was possible to see coolies to work to carry away the smouldering material. There was, however, a great part which it was impossible to touch.

The Damage.
The godown has, of course, been completely wrecked by the fire, and the cotton which can be salvaged must show a comparatively small figure. There were 18,000 bales in the godown, and taking these at a price of from £15 to £25 per bale, the loss in cotton alone will be in the neighbourhood of four and a half lakhs. Inquiry among insurance agents who visited the fire yesterday goes to show that the loss is covered by policies probably spread over several companies.

Freight Report.
Messrs. Wueluck & Co. (Shanghai) report for the fortnight ended February 4 states that cargo has not been plentiful in the

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homeward freight market after the New Year holidays, and prospects are still uncertain; as compared with previous years export of seeds for this season up to now shows a marked decline; exports generally have been poor and it is difficult to forecast any immediate improvement. There was nothing doing in the coastwise trade in the North during this period and there are practically no orders in the market at the moment; advices from the South, however, show a healthier tone and it is confidently expected that a decided improvement will set in in the near future.

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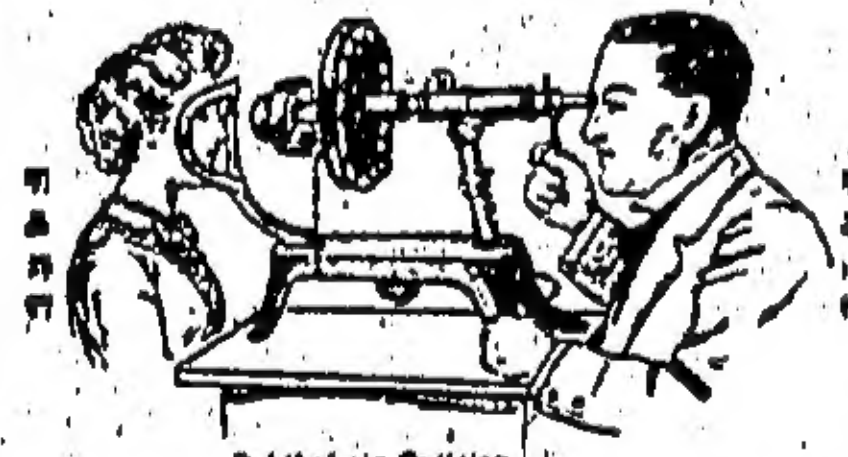
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"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1914.

THE FACE MEETING

The return of another race meeting marks, for the majority of people in Hongkong, the advent of the most important social function of the year. In this colony, where amusements are not too plentiful because it seems to have tried to engraft the stiffness of the West on to the freedom of the East with poor success, such an event as a race meeting is an event from which to date time. The chief purpose of such a meeting is not to decide who shall and who shall not win prizes, but to provide healthy and healthful entertainment for the public. There may be—there are, indeed—people who profess to find nothing to attract them in racing, but these are people to be pitied. They know nothing of the joy of a close finish or of a rare bit of jockeyship. There are few more pleasurable events in life than watching a gamely run race, and there is little the matter with men and women who can appreciate the thrill of it.

Attendance at a race meeting therefore, is far from being time wasted, as some would have us believe. On the contrary, racegoers are all the better for it after. It is a stimulant to nerves and brains. But, since Hongkong is a place of few amusements, might it not be possible to hold two meetings a year? A two-days meeting, say, in the autumn would provide a tonic, after the trying summer as the spring meeting does before its coming. There are gymkhanas, to be sure, but gymkhanas are not race meetings and can never take the place of one. That an autumn meeting would prove a success goes without saying. Indeed, the wonder is why it should not have been instituted before now. We hope, however, to see it considered by the Jockey Club in the near future.

Everything points to a successful meeting. The weather, at the time of writing, is more favourable than was the case last year when the opening had to be postponed. The chief races wear a very open look though it is unfortunate that a Derby favourite should have broken down at the eleventh hour, but that is the luck of the game. The sport of Kings is essentially a sport where hopes and expectations are often left unrealised through a piece of unexpected and unavoidable bad luck. That aside, however, and other things going even moderately well, the meeting which is now in progress should prove one to be remembered.

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank.

The Hongkong Daily Press, this morning's issue, prints as part of the leader the following:—"It is not every Bank which is in the position to contemplate a loss of two fifths of its paid up capital with so much equanimity."

The paid up capital of the bank is fifteen millions of dollars (\$15,000,000). The loss in Hongkong was six hundred thousand dollars, \$600,000, (part of which is recoverable). This is too serious an error to pass unnoticed and uncontradicted. Had the Bank lost two fifths of its capital we are bold enough to assert, no bonus would have been voted the staff, no bonus would have been given to the shareholders, nothing would have been placed to reserve, and no dividend would have been paid.

HONGKONG H TEL GRILL ROOM.

After being closed down since Saturday night at 10 o'clock, the grill-room of the Hongkong Hotel reopens to-night, and those who patronise it will see that a wonderful change has been effected. In fact, in the short space of about 40 hours, a complete transformation has been effected, the place being redecorated and repainted throughout. The result is altogether pleasing.

To-night will also witness the opening of the grill room extension, which has been erected by taking in what was formerly a portion of a yard adjoining the building. It is connected with the grill room proper by two entrances, and is a most useful addition. It is about 50 feet in length, and in it there will be accommodation for another ten tables at least. It is fitted out in the same artistic manner as the grill room proper. The appointments are very choice. There is a glass overhead canopy and stained glass windows, while the fireplace and overmantel are most impressive pieces of work.

It may be mentioned that during Race Week a special à la carte menu is being provided in the Grill Room.

"THE IDOL'S EYE."

Successful Concluding Performance.

There was again a crowded house at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night when the final performance of Lieut. Crosbie's delightful musical play "The Idol's Eye" was given. The performance was better than ever, the rough edge-shaving all been knocked off, and the players settling down to their work with greater confidence. When the curtain was rung down the audience gave evidence of its appreciation by loud rounds of applause, and in response to the calls for the author, Mr. Crosbie appeared before the footlights and bowed his acknowledgements. As we say, all who took part did well, but special mention is due to Mrs. Francis Clark, Miss Robertson, Mr. Crosbie, Mr. Lamont and Capt. Watson and Mr. V. G. Smyth. These shone particularly well in their respective roles. The audience was not slow to appreciate the several catchy numbers in the music, and recalls were frequent, the topical allusions being especially enjoyed. The lady members of the cast were also honoured with floral tributes. On the whole, the performance was a decided success, and "The Idol's Eye" will long be remembered by all who saw it.

"THE TELEGRAPH" ACROSTIC.

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Race Week. W
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DAY BY DAY.

NEVER TO TIRE, NEVER TO GROW OLD; TO BE PATIENT, SYMPATHETIC, TENDER; TO LOOK FOR THE BUDDING FLOWER AND THE OPENING HEART; TO HOPE ALWAYS LIKE GOD; TO LOVE ALWAYS—THIS IS DUTY.—Amiel.

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Left per s.s. Chenan at Midnight on Saturday.
Canadian and American Mails.—Due per s.s. Empress of Russia to-morrow.

Exempted.

The Yee Yee (Social) Club has been exempted from registration.

The Races.

The Gazette publishes traffic regulations which are to apply during Race Week.

New Architect.

The name of Mr. Frederick Endell Rosser has been added to the list of authorised architects.

January Weather.

During January the average mean temperature in Hongkong was 62.8. There were 2.0 hours of sunshine, and no rainfall was recorded.

Opium Possession.

A fine of \$50 was imposed on a coolie who was charged at the Police Court, this morning with being in unlawful possession of opium.

New Consul.

His Excellency Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir T. H. M. Jerram, R.N., K.C.B., His Excellency Maj. General F. H. Kelly, O.B., Commodore R. H. Anstruther, R.N., C.M.G., The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, The Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater, Kt., O.M.G., His Honour Sir W. Rees Davies, Kt., The Hon. Mr. David Landale, G. K. Hall, Esq., Major E. A. Dickinson, G. Friesland, Esq., H. J. Geddes, Esq., Henry Humphreys, Esq., N. J. Stabb, Esq., H. P. White, Esq.

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There was the usual array of booths and stands but they were but sparsely tenanted until the forenoon was fairly well advanced. The sun broke through the clouds just as the first saddling bell went, and this seemed a happy augury for the success of the meeting. As the forenoon wore on the number of ladies present steadily increased, and the scene was gay and more brightly-hued by noon than seemed likely earlier in the forenoon.

The first races brought out a rare field. No fewer than seventeen horses faced the starter, and the race wore a fine open look. His Excellency, the Governor, arrived just before the start of the first race. Thereafter Knoll was first off and never was headed after. The time was just outside the record of 59 seconds.

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A Rainless January. The Director of the Observatory makes the following comments on the weather during January in Hongkong:—"In the month of January, 1914, the mean barometric pressure was the greatest on record, and there was no rainfall; the first rainless January since 1884. The mean amount of cloud was the least on record, except in 1902 when it was 35 per cent. or 4 per cent. less than in 1914. (This was the sunniest January on record until 1914). The mean temperature (62.8 deg.) has only been exceeded on 3 occasions; namely, in 1897 and 1912, (63 deg. 1) and in 1901, (64 deg.). The highest temperature recorded during the month of January was 72.8 and the lowest 47.6."

JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

191 MEETING OPENS UNDER FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS.

FIRST DAY'S EVENTS.

Typical February weather attended—one cannot say graced—the opening of the annual race meeting. Leadon skies and the Peak wrapped in a mantle of cloud were the prevailing conditions. Happily, however, there was no rain to cause a postponement, as was the case last year, and if a wind did blow across Happy Valley it did not greatly bite. But the dullness of the morning had its effect on the scene in the paddock generally. A day of genial sunshine sees the ladies gaily dressed, and the scene is one of flashing colours. On a dull day more sober hues prevail. The crowd at the opening was quite up to the usual in size, and it steadily increased during the forenoon. The number of Chinese present was greater than was the case on the opening day last year. Then, however, they had faced a long and discouraging wait on the advertised day of opening when the races were postponed.

The following are the names of the stewards:—

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The Valley Stakes, provided an easy win for Mr. Medico's Al-dwych who it was whispered, was to be sent after one of the Cups during the meeting. However that may be, he won the Valley Stakes very comfortably and is a very fast pony.

It is only fair to remark here on the excellent programme submitted by the band of the D. O. L. I. under Bandmaster Roberts. The selections were finely chosen and appropriate, and the band added greatly to the enjoyment of the day's proceedings. Rain threatened just before tiffin, but only a few drops fell.

It might be added that the Police arrangements, were as excellent as usual. The staff under Chief-Inspector Gourlay was large and always at hand while never unduly in evidence.

1.—The Wong-Nai-Chang Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifflins of this Season 1913-1914. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 4 lb. Entrance \$5. Half a mile.

Mr. Shellim's Tango, 11st 11lb (Mr. Knoll) 1
Mr. Soares's Valsalini, 10st 13lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 0
Mr. Apar's Turquoise, 10st 9lb (Mr. Seth) 0
Mr. Billiards' Fluke, 10st 9lb (Mr. Collis Browne) 0
Mr. Brutton's Brympton, 10st 11lb (M. H. Gegg) 0
Mr. Off's Mad Eve, 10st 12lb (Mr. Hickman) 3
Mr. John Peel's The Cat, 10st 9lb (Mr. Heard) 2
Messrs. Fitzwilliams' Malgwyn, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0
Mr. E. Goss's Amun Ra, 11st 11lb (Mr. Bremner) 0
Mr. H. Humphreys' Dark Ronald, 10st 9lb (Mr. Jervois) 0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Balkan Chief, 10st 9lb (Mr. Moller) 0
Mr. Nomad's Damos, 10st 7lb (Mr. H. A. Seth) 0
Mr. Reedlark's Mystery, 10st 10lb (Mr. Clark) 0
Mr. Stabb's Phoebe, 10st 13lb (Mr. Lindsay) 0
Mr. D. Stroyer's Flotilla, 10st 8lb (Capt. Woodhouse) 0
Mr. Trio's Candy Kid, 10st 12lb (Mr. Brand) 0
Mr. Wayloong's Slacker, 10st 5lb (Mr. Sedgwick) 0

Off at 11.38. There was some delay at the post, but eventually a fair start was effected. Knoll on Tango got away finely, followed by Balkan Chief and Dark Ronald. There was little change in the position rounding the bend. Tango on the rails led into the straight by two lengths. Brympton came along strongly and Valsalini made a fine effort, but failed to get through. The Cat came up with a rattle and Mad Eve appeared in the picture and also challenged strongly. Tango, cleverly ridden, maintained his advantage and no more. He won by a neck, about three-quarters of a length separating second and third. The time was only one second outside the record.

Time—1 minute.
Dividend:—
Winner \$82.80

Time 2 min. 5 sec.
Dividend:—
Winner \$43.20.
Places \$5.40, \$5.10, \$7.70.
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 306 1st \$6,058.40
" 112 2nd 302.40
" 122 3rd 151.20
Commission 168.00
\$1,680.00
(Continued on an Extra Page)

Places \$38.20, \$7.90, \$23.90
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No 31 1st ... \$538.85
Ticket No 3 2nd ... 153.90
Ticket No 1 3rd ... 78.95
Commission ... 85.00
Total ... \$850.00

2.—The Maiden Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies bona fide Grifflins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Grifflins of this Season 1913-1914 allowed 7 lb. Entrance \$10. Three quarters of a mile. Sir Paul's Jewel Aster, 10st 12lb (Mr. Vids) 1
Mr. John Peel's Annan, 10st 12lb (Mr. Heard) 2
Mr. John Peel's, Dumfries, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 3
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Nigerian Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 0
Mr. Melland's, Leutje Hop, 10st 12lb (Mr. Brand) 0
Mr. Norman's, Pak Kwai, 10st 12lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0

A false start was led by Nigerian Chief. Eventually the flag fell to a wretched dispatch. Jewel Aster gaining a three lengths' advantage and Lutze Hop being left. Nigerian Chief and Annan closely attended the leader up the hill, and for a few yards took second place. Jewel Aster, easily ridden, still maintained his lead into the straight. Nigerian Chief, at the distance post, was in distress and Annan, moving in splendid fashion, drew alongside the pioneer and made a desperate effort in the last hundred yards. Vida, however, had just sufficient reserve in his mount to ward off the danger and, applying pressure in the last few strides, he secured the Judge's favour by half a length. Dumfries, half a length away was third.

Time—1 min. 31 sec.
Dividend:—
Winner \$6.70.
Places \$5.00, \$5.40, \$13.40
Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 169 1st \$746.55
" 144 2nd 213.30
" 295 3rd 108.55
Commission 118.50
\$1,185.00

3.—The Victoria Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Bona fide Grifflins on date of entry allowed 5 lb. Subscription Grifflins of this Season 1913-1914 allowed 10 lb. Entrance \$10 One Mile.

Sir Paul's Sunlight, 11st 11lb (Mr. Vids) 1
Mr. John Peel's President, 11st 11lb (Mr. Heard) 2
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Borneo Chief 11st 11lb (Mr. Moller) 3
Mr. Kadoorie's Darbar Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 0
Mr. V. d'Oettingen's Floreal, 11st 7lb (Mr. Lindsay) 0
Sir Paul's Triumph Aster (late Fluke), 10st 12lb (Mr. Brand) 0
Mr. Tricolor's Vigilant (late Sweet Tea), 11st 11lb (Captain Woodhouse) 0

Off at 12.41. On the ponies settling down from a good start, Sunlight, President, Darbar Chief, and Borneo Chief made the way with Vigilant in the rear several lengths away. Racing up the hill to the rock, President deprived Sunlight of premier position. Immediately afterwards Darbar Chief worked his way past Sunlight into second place. Rounding the village bend the race resolved itself into an issue between President, Sunlight, Borneo Chief and Darbar Chief. As the ponies entered the straight, Darbar Chief was beaten and whilst Sunlight and President raced together on the inside Borneo Chief came on the outside with a rattle and commenced to overhauled the leading brace.

Though he responded gamely to the call Borneo Chief could not make any real impression on President and Sunlight, the latter in a fighting finish getting the verdict by a short head. Half a length away Borneo Chief was third.

Time 2 min. 5 sec.
Dividend:—
Winner \$43.20.
Places \$5.40, \$5.10, \$7.70.
Cash Sweep:—
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HANDLING THE RACE CROWDS.

Excellent Arrangements by Tramway Company.

Special arrangements are this year being made by the Hongkong Tramway Company to cope with the unusually heavy traffic which marks Race Week, and in this connection attention is drawn to a notification which appears in our advertising columns. In former years there has been much confusion when cars make the return run, owing to there having been only one stopping place for the cars, but a big improvement has now been instituted by arranging three distinct stopping places—one at the usual spot, another behind the pari-mutuel, and the other behind the Hongkong Club stand. Passengers are therefore requested to wait at either one of these places, and they are asked to wait until directed by the Company's officials to board cars. The spots will be marked by coloured indicating boards, and as a one-minute service will be maintained there will be no need for the customary scrambling for seats.

One point to be emphasised is that the public should respect the desires of the Company to prevent overcrowding of the double-deck cars, and here it may be mentioned that only 20 passengers will be permitted on the top of these cars. Standing in the passage-way leading to the top deck is not to be permitted, nor on the top deck itself. In the past it has unfortunately been the case that people have been in the habit of rushing on to the wrong end of the car, thus hampering the motor-man in his work. Not only does this mean loss of time, but the safety of those on board is also endangered by the obstruction of the brake-gear. It may also be mentioned for the guidance of passengers, that the best place at which to board the cars is the Post Office, from which spot there will be very frequent departures.

Race Week is always a busy time for the Tramway Company, and they can only handle the crowd in the best possible manner with the co-operation of the public. It is therefore to be hoped that all who make use of the cars will fill in with the plans arranged.

Police arrangements.
The following regulations have been issued by the police:—All traffic going to and from the Races at Wong-Nei-Chung will keep the ordinary rule of the road in Queen's Road East and Morrison Hill Gap Road. East of Arsenal Street all horses and vehicles will go by Queen's Road East and Morrison Hill Gap. Trucks, bearers of chairs and persons carrying burdens will also keep the ordinary rule of the road but as close to the side as possible, with the exception that east of Arsenal Street, they will proceed by Arsenal Street, Praya East and along the Praya or by Wanchai Road east of No. 2 station and the road west of Bowrington Canal.

Every person who shall ride or drive in a furious manner, or so as to endanger the life or limb of any person, or to the common danger of the passengers in any public road or thoroughfare is liable to a penalty.

All foot passengers between the Magistracy and Praya East are to walk only on the footpaths, and not on the roadway, except for the purpose of crossing.

No chairs or vehicles will be allowed to remain on the road between the boundaries of the Cemeteries and the Stands; neither is any vehicle to go at more than a slow pace at the same place.

Chairs and vehicles to be arranged in the neighbourhood of the Race Course as directed by the Police Constables on duty.

Owners of dogs are recommended not to allow their dogs to go near the Race Course as any dog found straying without a collar with the name and address thereon of its owner, is liable to be destroyed (Ordinance 1 of 1846, Section 17).

Persons using chairs are recommended to go and return by way of Kennedy Road so as to avoid overcrowding the Queen's Road and Praya. No horse or vehicle will be allowed on Kennedy Road.

SPECIAL CABLES.

THE NEW RAILWAY.

A LOAN OF FOUR MILLIONS.

(Special Pacific Service to the Telegraph-Router.)

Peking, Received Feb. 15.
The starting place of the proposed French Railway has been altered to Yanchow, which has a natural harbour to the west of Peking.
The Loan will be for four millions sterling, at 5 per cent. China to receive 5 per cent. below the market rate of the issue.

SELF-GOVERNING BODIES.

DISSOLUTION MAY CAUSE TROUBLE.

Peking, Received Feb. 15.
The opinion is expressed in some quarters that the dissolution of self-governing bodies in the Provinces will cause considerable disaffection, as it will affect the dignity of hundreds of thousands of the petty Provincial gentry.

THE TROUBLES IN JAPAN.

MORE 'SCENES' IN PARLIAMENT.

Tokyo, Received Feb. 16.
Five naval officers, including a Rear Admiral, are held in confinement pending the organisation of the Court Martial which is to deal with the corruption case.
In the Lower House there were riotous scenes on the floor during the discussion of the business tax. An outsider penetrated the Committee Room and assaulted a member who had to be removed to hospital. The inter-logger was arrested.
The Government has accepted from the Seiyukai Party an amendment in committee to the Tax Amendment Bill, involving a reduction of eighteen million yen.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

Hongkong C.C. v. The Navy.

In the Triangular League

Competition, the Hongkong

Cricket Club entertained the

Navy on Saturday, and

succeeded in securing a

comfortable victory by three

wickets and 28 runs. This was

mainly due to the batting of

T. E. Pearce, who knocked up a

fine 94 in his usual happy style.

He hit out in fine style and there

were only 21 singles in his score.

Claxton (45) also did good work

with the bat. Pie Dawson was

top scorer for the Navy with a

useful 49. Mid. Fawcett coming

next with four short of this

number. The scores were:—

THE NAVY

Pie Dawson, st. Claxton, b

Lt. Hunton b Anderson ... 40

Lt. Pay Pearson b Wodehouse

Staff Surg. Sheward c and b

Wodehouse ... 4

Lt. Ferguson and b Anderson

Mid. Fawcett c and b Maas

45

Lt. Ferri b Donnelly ... 3

Lt. Buxton Moore b Don-

nelly ... 25

Eng. Lt. Archer not out ... 11

Lt. Gowan b Donnelly ... 0

Com. Ferguson c Anderson b

Wodehouse ... 1

Extras ... 22

Total ... 174

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

R.N. Anderson 13 4 41 2

P.P.E. Wodehouse 16 0 63 2

D. F. Donnelly 10 3 26 3

M. M. Maas 7 0 22 2

H. K. C. C.

S.S. Moore l.b.w. b Hunton

7

T.E. Pearce b Dawson

96

A.A. Claxton l.b.w. b

Pearson

45

R. Kennedy c Dawson b

Pearson

7

R. Hancock c sub. b

Pearson

36

R. Anderson c Sheward b

Dawson

15

M. Maas b Dawson ... 6

Extras ... 5

Total ... 202

Messrs. A. L. Gace, G. E.

Aubrey, P. P. E. Wodehouse and

D. E. Donnelly did not bat.

Bowling.

O. M. R. W.

Pie Dawson ... 15 25 9 3

Lt. Hunton ... 7 1 52 1

Lt. Ferguson ... 3 0 25 0

Pie Pay Pearson 9 2 0 59 2

Craigengower v. Civil Service.

These teams met in a League

encounter, which ended in an

easy victory for Craigengower,

mainly due to the fine bowling

of Taylor and Carvalho, who

captured six wickets for 22 runs

and four for 40 respectively.

Scores:—

O.S.C.C.

G. R. Sayer c Bass b Carvalho

6

F. A. Bidden c Norris b Carvalho

5

E. B. Reed b Taylor ... 0

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DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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Course are particularly re-

quested to wait at one of

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Places.

(2) At the end of each day's Rac-

ing there will be Three Exits

available from the Enclosure.

These Exits are at each of the

above-mentioned Stopping

Places.

(3) Twenty Passengers only are

allowed on the top of double

deck Cars.

(4) Crowding the Motorman's

end of the Car so as to ham-

per him in any way is not

allowed.

J. J. S. KENNEDY,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 16th Feb., 1914.

THE HONGKONG & KOW-

LOON WHARF & GODOWN

COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH

ORDINARY ANNUAL

MEETING OF SHAREHOLD-

ERS will be held at the Offices of

Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co.,

Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th

March, 1914, at 11.30 a.m., for the

purpose of receiving the report of

the Directors and Statement of

Accounts for the year ending 31st

December, 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of

the Company will be CLOSED

from 23rd to 5th March inclusive.

W. S. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1914.

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AT about midnight on the 11th instant, a black Feather Box. Finder will oblige by returning same to No. 1 Bay View, Kowloon.

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THE H. A. L. Steamship

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Captain Knitschky, having ar-

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be given to-day.

All claims must be presented

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No claims will be admitted after

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and all Goods remaining undeliv-

ered after the 22nd inst., will be

subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and dam-

aged goods must be left in the

Godowns, where they will be ex-

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9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 16th Feb., 1914.

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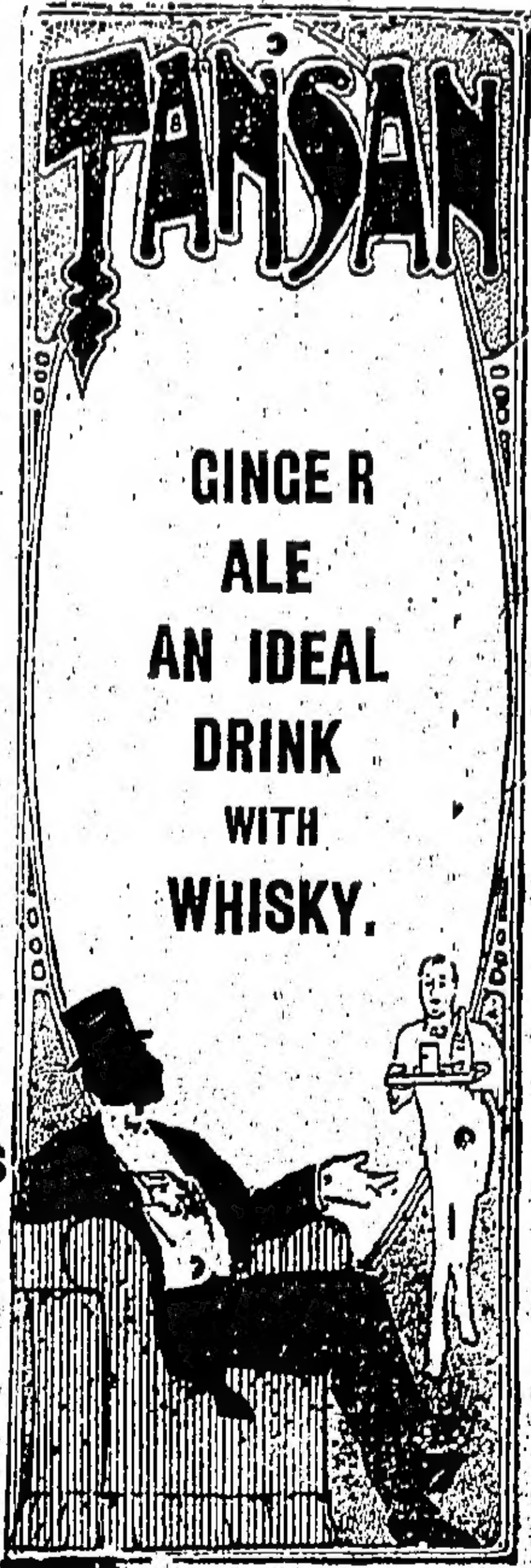
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S.S. "Dunera" 5,339 tons, Capt. Dickinson, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI on 28th Feb.

WESTWARD.

S.S. "Torilla" 5,203 tons, Capt. Swanson, R.N.R. will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA on 21st Feb.

S.S. "Dilwara" 5,178 tons, Capt. Ramago, R.N.R. will be despatched as above on 28th Feb.

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For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:

Ambria	18th Feb.	Sudmark	18th Mar.
Scandia	24th Feb.	Brigavia	27th Mar.
Assyria	3rd Mar.	Uckermark	5th Apr.
Hoerde	17th Mar.	Sambia	25th Apr.

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Silhonla	Scandia
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Projected Sailings from Hongkong—

Destination.	Subject to Alteration	Sailing Date
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MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Colombo, Suez, & Port Said	Iyo Maru Capt. Hirase T. 12,500	WEDNES, 25th Feb. at 10 a.m.
	Hirano Maru Capt. Fraser T. 16,000	WEDNES, 11th Mar. at 10 a.m.

VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, Shanghai, via Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama	Aki Maru Capt. Noma T. 12,500	TUES, 24th Feb. at noon.
	Sado Maru Capt. Asakawa T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 10th Mar. at noon.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane	Kumano Maru Cap. M. Winckler T. 9,300	WEDNES, 11th Mar. at noon.
	Tango Maru Capt. T. Sekine T. 13,500	WEDNES, 8th Apr. at noon.

CALCUTTA, via Spore, Penang & Rangoon	Sanuki Maru Capt. Deguchi T. 12,500	SATURDAY, 21st Feb.
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BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo	Jinsen Maru Capt. Sano T. 5,000	TUESDAY, 17th Feb.
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KOBE & Yokohama	Kamo Maru Capt. Kawara T. 16,000	THURS, 26th Feb. at 11 a.m.
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NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango Maru Capt. Sekine T. 13,500	WED, 11th Mar. at 11 a.m.
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SHANGHAI, Moji and Kobe	Rangoon Maru Capt. Date T. 6,000	TUESDAY, 17th Feb.
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SHANGHAI, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama		
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PASSENGER SEASON 1914

FOR EUROPE.

Iyo Maru	12500 tons	sails Wednesday	25th February.
Hirano	16000	"	11th March.
Katori	20000	"	25th "
Kamo	16000	"	8th April.
Kashima	20000	"	22nd "

FOR AMERICA.

Aki Maru	12500 tons	sails Tuesday	24th January.
Sado	12500	"	17th March.
Yokohama	12500	"	24th "
Awa	12500	"	7th April.
Shidzuoka	12500	"	21st "

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail
SHANGHAI	Shao-shing	17th Feb. at noon
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	17th Feb. at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Kailong	18th Feb. at 10 a.m.
AMOI	Linan	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Anhui	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Foochow	21st Feb. at 4 p.m.

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The S.S. Perm, 4,149 R.T., Commander Bakanoff, is expected to arrive here about the 18th day of February, 1914.

The S.S. Kiev, 5,566 R.T., Commander Stetky, is expected to arrive here about the 27th day of February, 1914.

Outward Bound.

(Vladivostok via Nagasaki.)

The S.S. Vladimir, 5,620 R.T., Commander Kamichansky, is expected to arrive here about the 26th day of February, 1914.

The S.S. Yaroslav, 4,494 R.T., Commander Lokhmatoff, is expected to arrive here about the 21st day of March, 1914.

N.B.—These two outward steamers on the way to Nagasaki and Vladivostok will call at Hongkong if the room permits.

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Steamship	T.	Captains	For	Sailing date.
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Rubi	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo.	SATUR., 21st Feb. 4 p.m.
Zalilo	4000	F. S. McMurray	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo.	TUES., 3rd Mar. 4 p.m.

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GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong, 13th Feb. 1914.

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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	To	Will leave on or about
Tjikini	JAVA	2nd half Feb.	SHAI	2nd half Feb.
Tjibodas	JAVA	1st half Mar.	JAPAN	1st half Mar.
Tjilawong	JAPAN	1st half Mar.	JAVA	1st half Mar.
Tjilaoem	SHAI	1st half Mar.	JAVA	1st half Mar.
Tjimanoeck	JAVA	2nd half Mar.	SHAI	2nd half Mar.
Tjipanas	JAVA	2nd half Mar.	SHAI	2nd half Mar.
Tjilalajap	JAVA	2nd half Mar.	JAPAN	2nd half Mar.

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Steamer	Displacement	Speed	Leave Hongkong
Chiyo Maru	22,000 - 21 knots	Sat.	7th Mar.
Tenyo Maru	22,000 - 23 knots	Sat.	4th Apr.
Nippon Maru	44,000 - 18 knots	Wed.	8th "
Hongkong Maru	44,000 - 10 knots	Sat.	25th "
Seyo Maru	11,000 - 10 knots	Sat.	4th "

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Steamers	Arrive Hongkong from Australia	Leave Hongkong for Australia
Empire		27th Feb. at 10 a.m.
St. Albans	21st Feb.	20th Mar. at "
Eastern	14th Mar.	9th April at "

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Haiyang	A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 17th Feb. at 11 a.m.
Haiching	W. C. Passmore	FRIDAY, 20th Feb. at 11 a.m.
Haitan	J. S. Roach	TUESDAY, 24th Feb. at 11 a.m.

FOR SWATOW.

Haitan ... J. W. Evans ... SUNDAY, 22nd Feb. at 10 a.m.

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Details of the plucky rescue of the captain and men of the brigantine Mayflower by a boat's crew of the Lusitania were given by the former on the arrival of the Lusitania at Fishguard. Captain Halford, of the Mayflower, said they left Bahia, Brazil, on November 26, for St. John's Newfoundland. Five days before reaching the Lusitania he ran into a terrific gale, which carried away the ship's rudder in addition to the canvas. The stern became damaged and the vessel sprung a leak. Later they were sighted by the Lusitania, which was immediately hove to, and the first officer, Alexander, with a volunteer crew, set out in a ship's lifeboat to rescue them, an operation fraught with the utmost peril. Nearing the brigantine Mr. Alexander found it impossible to get alongside safely. He then, by the aid of a line and belts, hauled the men through the raging sea one by one, Captain Halford being the last to leave the vessel. Before quitting the ship he set her abaze to avoid risks to shipping. Three hundred and fifty-four pounds were collected by a committee of the saloon passengers formed to recognise Captain Dow's effort, and it was decided to present him with an illuminated address and each of the officers of the rescuing lifeboat a gold watch, 60 per cent. of the funds going to the rescuers and 40 to the rescued. Colonel Sir Charles Allen made a special gift of £20 to the crew.

New Rescue Device.

The Admiralty at the present moment (writes the Portsmouth correspondent of the Morning Post) have under consideration an invention by an engine-room artificer serving on His Majesty's ship Fishguard, the training ship of boy artificers at Portsmouth, for which much is claimed, in effecting the rapid salvage of submerged submarines. The inventor, whose name is Charles Charlesworth, has already secured a patent for his invention, which consists of a float that can be released at will from the interior of the submarine, or can be automatically freed at a predetermined depth of water by means of a hydrostatic controlling valve. Upon the submarines descending below the depth intended, the float would immediately be propelled to the surface by a spring propeller, carrying with it a cord which would enable a telephonic wire and air pipe to be drawn up as soon as the float was observed by vessels on the surface. In the same way a guide rope is brought to the surface, and over this is lowered a block which couples automatically to a fitting on the submarine's deck, thus forming an effective connection for raising the sunken vessel.

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 SHANGHAI via Taksang Wed., 18th Feb. at d'light
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 SHANGHAI via Choyang Fri., 20th Feb. at d'light
 MANILA via Yuensang Sat., 21st Feb. at 2 p.m.
 SPORE, Pang & C. outta. Kumsang Sat., 21st Feb. at 2 p.m.
 SHANGHAI via Hangsang Tues., 24th Feb. at d'light
 MANILA via Loongsang Sat., 28th Feb. at 2 p.m.

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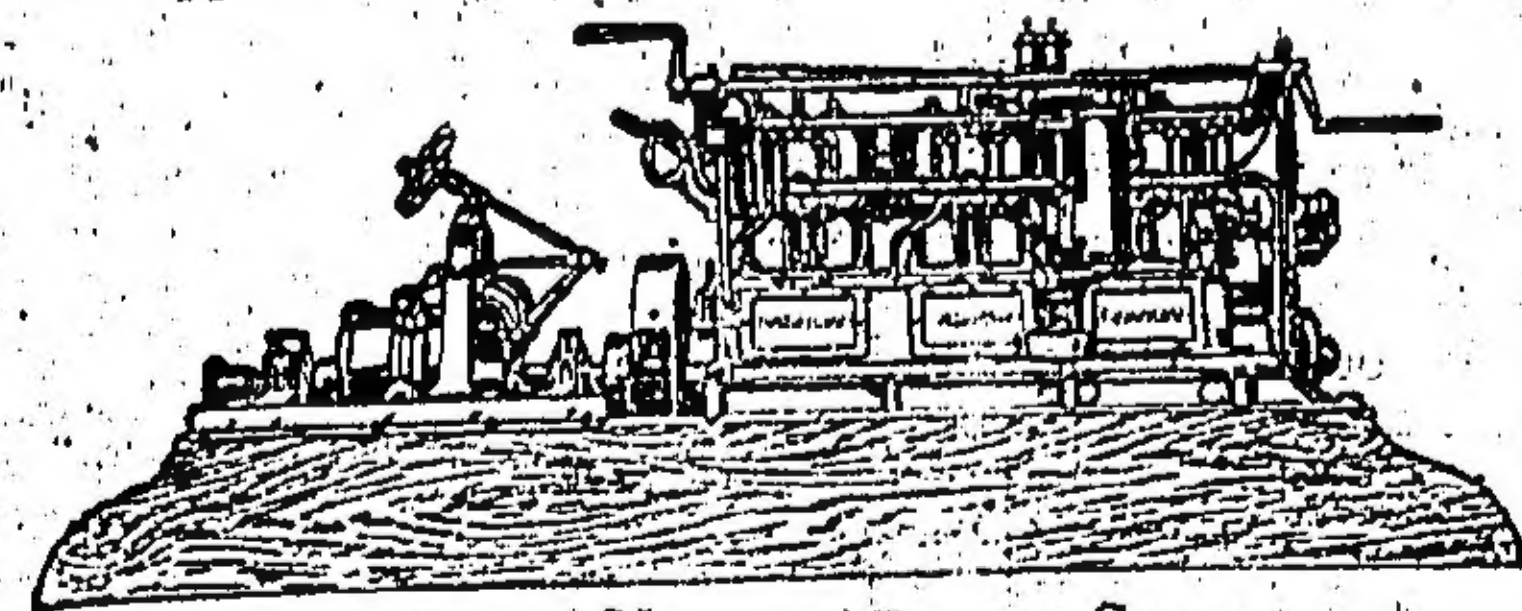
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EUROPEAN PORTS.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight Apply To	To be Dispatched.
Nice, Genoa, Lisbon, S. ton, London & Antwerp via S'pore & New York	Coeven	M. & Co.	18, Feb.
Yarlesville via Ports	Nyanza	P. & O.	18, Feb.
Havre, Bremen Hamburg & Co.	Erroll	D. Co.	24, Feb.
Marseilles, London & Antwerp	Magellan	M. M. Co.	24, Feb.
Marseilles, Hamburg & Antwerp	C.J.D. Ahlers	H. A. L.	24, Feb.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	23, Feb.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Shavia	H. A. L.	23, Feb.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Thuringen	N. D. L.	23, Feb.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Spezia	H. A. L.	3, Mar.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Glenfarg	S. T. Co.	4, Mar.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Bermuda	H. A. L.	4, Mar.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Sibthorn	H. A. L.	4, Mar.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Den of Airle	J. M. Co.	8, Mar.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Nera	M. M.	10, Mar.
Marseilles, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen	Mark	N. D. L.	10, Mar.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Goettingen	N. D. L.	28, Mar.
London via Plymouth	Glenlogan	S. T. Co.	31, Mar.
Havre, Emden and Hamburg	Tuebingen	N. D. L.	E. of M.
Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Bremen, Hamburg	Lothringen	N. D. L.	M. of Apr.
Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Bremen, Hamburg	Dumbea	M. M.	19, May.

NEW YORK SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

Victoria, B.C., T'ma via Japan & America	Tacoma M.	O. S. K.	21, Feb.
San Francisco via S'hai & Japan & America	Acti M.	N. Y. K.	24, Feb.
Boston & New York via Ports & Suez Canal	Kasama	S. T. Co.	25, Feb.
T'ta, Fiume V'ce, via S'pore etc.	Vorwaerts	S. W. Co.	3, Mar.
Victoria, B.C., & T'ma via S'hai & Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	Panam - M.	O. S. K.	4, Mar.
Francisco, via Shanghai, M'la, Japan and Honolulu	E. of Japan	C. P. R.	5, Mar.
Victoria V'v'er S'tle T. & P.	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	7, Mar.
Boston and New York	Radnorshire	J. M. Co.	8, Mar.
San Francisco via Manila & Japan & America	Indradeo	J. M. Co.	10, Mar.
Victoria, V'v'er, S'tle, & Pland	China	P. M. Co.	14, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	Suedmark	H. A. L.	18, Mar.
San Francisco and San Pedro	E. of Russia	C. P. R.	19, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	E. Doller	R. D. Co.	31, Mar.
Francisco, via Shanghai, M'la, Japan and Honolulu	E. of India	C. P. R.	2, Apr.
Victoria, Vancouver Seattle, Tacoma & Portland	Senyo M.	T. K. K.	4, Apr.
Vancouver via S'hai, Japan etc.	Den of	J. M. Co.	5, Apr.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	Ruthven	J. M. Co.	8, Apr.
San Francisco and San Pedro	Monteagle	C. P. R.	16, Apr.
V'v'er, S'tle, T. & P.	E. of Asia	C. P. R.	28, Apr.
	M. S. Dollar	R. D. Co.	3, May.
	Glenloch	J. M. Co.	3, May.

AUSTRALIA.

New Guinea, Brisbane, Sydney	P. Waldemar	M. Co.	21, Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	China	S. W. Co.	22, Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	Emire	G. L. Co.	27, Feb.
Australian Ports via Manila	Kumano M.	N. Y. K.	11, Mar.
Australia	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	20, Mar.
Australian Ports via Manila	Changsha	B. & S.	24, Mar.
	Eastern	G. L. Co.	9, Apr.

SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hayang	D. L. Co.	17, Feb.
Manila, Cebu & Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	17, Feb.
Singapore	Loval	J. M. Co.	17, Feb.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Hangson M.	N. Y. K.	17, Feb.
Shanghai	Wingsang	J. M. Co.	17, Feb.
Shanghai	Shaoching	B. & S.	17, Feb.
Anping, Takao via S'pore & Amoy	Sosho M.	O. S. K.	18, Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Ambrisa	H. A. L.	18, Feb.
Anping, Takao via S'pore & Amoy	Sosho Maru	O. S. K.	18, Feb.
Swatow	Haimun	D. L. Co.	18, Feb.
Shanghai	Patung	J. M. Co.	18, Feb.
Shanghai	Anhui	B. & S.	18, Feb.
S'hai, Nagasaki, Kobe & Y'hama	Kielit	M. & Co.	19, Feb.
Bombay via S'pore & Colombo	Jinsen M.	N. Y. K.	19, Feb.
Shanghai	Choyang	J. M. Co.	19, Feb.
Amoy	Linan	B. & S.	19, Feb.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hatohing	D. L. Co.	20, Feb.
Philippines	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	21, Feb.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Torilla	D. S. Co.	21, Feb.
Cebu via S'pore Pang & W'oon	Sanuki M.	N. Y. K.	21, Feb.
Yokohama, and Kobe	Futala	J. M. Co.	21, Feb.
Shanghai	Forechow	B. & S.	21, Feb.
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	21, Feb.
Milke, Kobe and Moji	Jelunga	D. S. Co.	22, Feb.
Tamsui via Swatow & Amoy	Daijin Maru	O. S. K.	22, Feb.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Malta	M. M.	23, Feb.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama	Hangsang	P. O.	24, Feb.
Shanghai	Haitan	J. M. Co.	24, Feb.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	O. L. Co.	24, Feb.
Foochow via Swatow & Amoy	Katjo M.	O. S. K.	25, Feb.
Kobe and Yokohama	Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	25, Feb.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	25, Feb.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	27, Feb.
Shanghai, Y'hama, Kobe & Moji	Yeddo	N. A. Co.	B. of Mar.
Y'hama and Kobe via Shanghai	Austria	S. W.	3, Mar.
Kobe	Coblentz	M. & Co.	3, Mar.
M. n'la, Mangarin, Cebu & Iloilo	Zafiro	S. T. Co.	4, Mar.
Shanghai	Africa	S. W. Co.	4, Mar.
Jessellton, Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. Co.	8, Mar.
Bombay via S'pore Port Sh'm, Penang & Colombo	Luzon M.	O. S. K.	8, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Y'hama	Chili	W. M.	9, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Alantique	M. M.	10, Mar.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango M.	N. Y. K.	11, Mar.
Shanghai, Y'hama, Kobe & Moji	Peking	A. N. Co.	21, Mar.
Japan	Ijitaroom	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tjinkini	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjibonaa	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjilimah	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjilwong	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, &c.	Tjitaroom	J. O. J. L.	Q. desp.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

VESSELS ADVERTISED TO DEPART TO-MORROW.

For	Vessels.
Swatow	Wingsang
Batavia	Halvard
Swatow	Halvard
Shanghai	Shaoching
Philippines	Taming
Hongay	Hopsang

VESSELS ADVERTISED TO ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

From	Vessels.
Shanghai	E. of Russia
Shanghai	Goeben

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. s.s. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA arrived Nagasaki on the 13th February, at noon, left Nagasaki on the 13th February, at 8 p.m. and is due to arrive at Shanghai on the 15th Feb., at 4 a.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E.A. s.s. ST. ALBANS from Sydney etc., left Port Darwin for this port (via Timor and Manila) on the 9th inst. and may be expected to arrive here on the 21st inst.

The I.O.M. s.s. COBLENZ left Sydney on the 7th inst. at 11 a.m. and may be expected here on or about the 2nd of March.

GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. s.s. KLEIST carrying the German Mails, with dates from Berlin of 31st of January has left Colombo on the 7th inst. p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 18th inst.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. s.s. KOREA is due to arrive at this port from Manila at 8 a.m. on the 15th inst.

The P.M. s.s. SIBERIA sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong on the 11th inst. via Manila. The United States mail has been transferred to the E. OF RUSSIA, due to arrive in Hongkong on the 17th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KAMO MARU (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 17th ult., and is expected here on the 25th February.

The N.Y.K. s.s. RANGOON MARU (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port on the 30th January, and is expected here on the 16th inst.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KASHIMA MARU (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 31st January, and is expected here on the 14th March.

The N.Y.K. s.s. SADO MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this port on the 27th January.

The N.Y.K. s.s. SANUKI MARU (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via ports on the 10th inst. and is expected here on the 15th March.

The N.Y.K. s.s. TOSA MARU (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via ports on the 10th inst. and is expected here on the 15th inst.

The N.Y.K. s.s. YOKOHAMA MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this port via ports on the 10th inst. and is expected here on the 15th March.

The S. L. s.s. RADNORSHIRE from London passed the Canal on the 3rd Feb. and is due at Hongkong on the 6th March.

The S. L. s.s. DEN OF AIRLIE from Pacific is due at Hongkong on the 5th March.

The B.I.S.N. s.s. FULTALA from Rangoon is due at Hongkong on the 22nd February.

The Mogul Line s.s. ATHOLL sailed from Singapore on the 10th inst. and is due to arrive on the 16th inst.

The s.s. GLENLOGAN passed the Suez Canal on the 27th ult., for Hongkong via Straits.

The s.s. SATSUMA (of the Barber Line) sailed from New York on 14th Jan. and is due to arrive here on or about 14th March.

The s.s. PATHAN (of the Mogul Line) sailed from U. K. on 25th January, and is due to arrive here on or about 5th March.
 The Barber Line s.s. CHALISTER sailed from New York on the 4th inst. for Hongkong.
 The N.D.L. Freight s.s. GOETTINGEN left Singapore on the 13th inst. at 4 p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 18th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
Emp. of Asia, Br. s.s. 8,883, S. Robinson, 22nd ult.—Vancouver, 3rd ult. Gen.—O.P.R. Co.
S. Rickmers, Dut. s.s. 573, B. Y. Jagt, 4th inst.—Swatow, 3rd inst. Ballast—A. P. Co.
Empress of Japan, Br. s.s. 3,039, W. D. Hopcraft, 6th inst.—Shanghai, 3rd inst. Gen.—O.P.R. Co.
Halvard, Br. s.s. 1,036, Beck, 6th inst.—Belle Japan, 29th ult. Gen.—J. O. P. L.
Tinafou, Norw. s.s. 9,460, W. Jullarson, 7th inst.—Java, 28th ult. Bugur—Chinese.
Romania, Br. s.s. 2,995, Milner, 8th inst.—Singapore, 1st inst. Bulk oil—A. P. & Co.
Germarda, Ger. s.s. 333, Jepsen, 10th inst.—Sydney, 27th Dec. Oopra—S. and Co.
Fernley, Br. s.s. 2,471, R. C. Appleton, 10th inst.—Ching-wan-tao, 3rd inst. Coal—D. and Co.
Hampshire, Br. s.s. 10,510, M. R. Hill, 8th inst.—Colombo.
Rajabari, Ger. s.s. 1,169, O. Wolf, 10th inst.—Bangkok, 6th inst. Rice—B. and S.
Shengkong, Br. s.s. 1,359, Cowan, 9th inst.—Swatow, 8th inst. Ballast—B. & S.
Chiyue, Chi. s.s. 1,433, J. Ross, 11th inst.—Shanghai, 7th inst. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Lovet, Br. s.s. 3,301, R. Glogg, 10th inst.—Moji, 5th inst. Coal and Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Ajax, Br. s.s. 4,477, G. S. Thomson, 12th inst.—Shanghai, 9th inst. Gen.—B. & S.
Foonhing, Br. s.s. 1,433, Jas. M. Hay, 12th inst.—Bangkok, 6th inst. Rice—J. M. & Co.
Protosilava, Br. s.s. 6,118, J. Milbench, 21st inst.—Ragat Sound, 18th inst. Gen.—B. and S.
Tacoma Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,830, J. Hamada, 21st inst.—Manila, 9th inst. Flour—O. S. K.
Tamon Maru, No. 1, Jap. s.s. 1,142, J. Kasai, 12th inst. Saigon, 6th inst. Rice—Chinese.
Albiana, Br. s.s. 2,458, Wm. Dumber, 12th inst.—Ching-wan-tao, 6th inst. Coal—D. & Co.
Heijo Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,352, O. Kutan, 13th inst.—Penang, Gen.—A. Bune.
Sosho Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,119, K. Tashiro, 13th inst.—Swatow, 12th inst. Gen.—O. S. K.
Seang Choon, Br. s.s. 3,722, W. T. Larkins, 12th inst.—Straits, 7th inst. Gen.—Chinese.
Taming, Br. s.s. 1,358, Pennefather, 15th inst.—Manila 10th inst. Gen.—B. & S.
Craighall, Br. s.s. 2,886, Wm. Stephenson, 14th inst.—Portland Oregon, Flour—M. B. K.
Halvard, Nor. s.s. 1,080, O. Beck, 13th inst. Amoy, 11th inst. Gen.—J.O.P.L.
Kantor, Nor. s.s. 249, Velmers, 14th inst.—Lion Cobe, 9th inst. Salt—A. Bune.
Shaoching, Br. s.s. 1,307, E. French, 13th inst.—Shanghai, 10th inst. Gen.—B. and S.
Wongkol, Ger. s.s. 1,118, H. Oltmanns, 14th inst.—Bangkok, 5th inst. Rice—B. and S.
Yechigo Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,654, Murayama, 13th inst.—Chefoo, 7th inst. Gen.—Chinese.

TIDE TABLE.

16th Feb. to 22nd Feb. 1914.

Hour	High Water	Low Water
Mon. 16	5.15	1.15
Tues. 17	5.15	1.15
Wed. 18	5.15	1.15
Thurs. 19	5.15	1.15
Fri. 20	5.15	1.15
Sat. 21	5.15	1.15
Sun. 22	5.15	1.15

To Sail

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Hongkong, 3rd October, 1913.

SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA.

Work of the Conference Completed.

The outcome of the labours of International Conference on Safety of Life at Sea is a highly important Convention which has been signed by all the delegates.

The countries which participated in the conference are the United Kingdom, Austria-Hungary, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Spain, Sweden, the United States, Australia, Canada, and New Zealand. Lord Mersey presided over the conference, which came into being as the result of the Titanic disaster. The Convention, if agreed on, must be ratified not later than December 31, 1914, and come into operation on July 1, 1915. It consists of 74 articles and 52 supplementary articles containing the regulations.

Primarily the Convention will apply to steamships belonging to the contracting States, and carrying on international voyages, more than 12 passengers. These voyages are to include voyages between a signatory country and its colonies, but vessels engaged in a strictly home trade are exempt from the Convention.

Commercial.

Singapore Share Market.
Messrs. Fraser and Co.'s share circular, dated the 4th inst., states:—

Cheaper monetary conditions at home have undoubtedly been the principal factor in the general all-round improvement in shares and rubber itself closing firm at a higher level has materially affected the particular shares in which this market is chiefly interested. Sterling rubbers have firmed, the better general conditions to a greater extent than locally, although even in these there are plenty of buyers at the old prices with sellers naturally looking for something better. The substantial advance in the price of tin extending over the past week has not been reflected in shares of this category to any marked extent. In industrial oil shares have received a fair amount of attention, but, apart from these, the business has not been large.

Rubber.—Linggis improved from 15 1/2 to 16 1/2 with business done between these prices. Lumsis changed hands at 24 1/2 cum dividend and 24 9/10 ex dividend. Colonial Rubbers made 2 1/2. Sumatra Paras round about 8 1/2. Lardburys 33 1/2. Consolidated Malays 9 1/2. Singapore Paras 1 1/2 to 1 1/2. Jassins 1 1/2. Singapore United 1 1/2. Vallambroses 12 1/2. Hainan 5 1/2. Rubber Trusts 12 1/2. Aver Kunings 12 1/2. Seaports 13 1/2. Port Dicksons in the vicinity of 1 1/2. Pegohs 27 1/2. Heawoods 2 1/2. Nordaals 19 1/2. Serembans 18 1/2. Bertams 4 1/2. Bukit Kajangs 30 1/2 and United Serdangs 10 1/2. In Lat Rubbers, Ayer Panas continue in good demand business being done from \$3.80 to \$4. Malakoffs made \$2 and \$2.05 with further buyers. Teluk Ansona \$4.55 to \$4.80. United Malakoffs 6 1/2. Bukit Katils 45 cents. Ayer Kuningas, 42 cents to 47 cents. New Serendabs \$1.65. Tappas \$6 with buyers now offering \$5.50. Tambalaks 3 1/2 cents to 3 3/4 cents. Pajams \$9. Panais 55 cents. Balgownies \$3.82 1/2.

Mining.—Rubbs had sales at \$2.45 continuing sellers at this price. Esbuts \$2.50 and \$2.60 with further buyers. Kanobis \$1.15. Titis \$7.50 cum dividend.

General.—The oil group have made but little move since our last report, but transactions have been made in Shell Transports at 25 7/8. Ural Caspians 22 1/2. 10 1/2. and Spies 22 1/2. Strait Traders were brought at \$47.50 and \$48 with small sellers at the latter quotation. Cold Storages made \$23.25. Singapore Trams 4 1/2 and Municipal 4 per cent Lau at 90.

Ulu Piah, Limited.
An extraordinary general meeting of share holders in Ulu Piah, Limited, was to be held on the 13th inst. to consider a cable received from London suggesting the reconstruction of the company on a sterling basis and the acquisition of tribute rights over the company's holdings. The normal capital will be \$130,000, the purchase consideration \$60,000, tribute rights \$4,000 cash and \$14,000 in shares. The working capital will be \$10,000, while \$2,000 is to be placed to reserve. 14,000 shares are to be offered at par to the present shareholders who are guaranteed allotment at the rate of \$1 over a complete block of 45.

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Public Companies

NOTICE.
THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TWENTY FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA BUILDINGS, on THURSDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1914 at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of the DIRECTORS together with Statement of ACCOUNTS for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY 17th to THURSDAY 26th February, 1914 (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment Agency Company, Limited, Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

Notices

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
RACE MEETING, 1914.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY (OFF-DAY), 16th, 17th, 18th and 21st, February.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate. Price \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or \$3 per day. Tickets for the Off-Day, \$2.

No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1914.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and the ENCLOSURE during the Races.

A Stand and Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which are being sent out with the Members' Tickets.

All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.
Special accommodation will be reserved as in recent years for Chinese Ladies and their Female attendants in the Stand erected on the plot of ground next to the Lusitano Club Stand.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1914.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to the Undersecretary on SATURDAY, the 14th February.

No Servants will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the Race Course during the Race Day WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had on application to the Undersecretary. These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit them and the holder thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1914.

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.
RACE HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that all MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, the 16th, 17th and 18th instant respectively, at 11.45 a.m.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th Feb., 1914.

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.
RACE HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, the 16th, 17th and 18th instant respectively, at 11.45 a.m.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th Feb., 1914.

G. R.

NANY CONTRACTS, 1914-1915.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, for the supply of the undermentioned stores for H. M. Naval Service at Hongkong during the period 1st April, 1914 to 31st March, 1915 will be received by the Commodore, H. M. Naval Yard, until noon on Monday the 23rd February 1914:—

Fresh Beef and Vegetables,
Frozen Meat,
Soft Bread,
Rice,
Sugar.

Forms of Tender and any necessary information may be obtained on application to the Victualling Store Officer, H. M. Naval Depot, Kowloon.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.
H. M. NAVAL DEPOT,
Kowloon, February 9th.

Notices

G. R.
QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

Term begins at 9 a.m. on Thursday, 19th February.
New boys will be examined for entry and classification on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 17th and 18th February, from 9 a.m. each day, in the Hall.

T. K. DEALY,
Head Master.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND DECLARED for the Half Year ending 31st December, 1913, at the rate of Two Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Five Shillings Sterling per share of £125 is payable on and after MONDAY, the 16th day of February, Current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th Feb., 1914. [150]

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T/T Demand 110 7/8	T/T Demand 110 7/8
30 d/s 110 15/16	30 d/s 110 15/16
60 d/s 111	60 d/s 111
1 m/s 111 1/16	1 m/s 111 1/16
T/T Shanghai 79 1/2	T/T Shanghai 79 1/2
T/T Singapore 81 1/2	T/T Singapore 81 1/2
Private 30 d/s sight Shanghai 74 1/2	Private 30 d/s sight Shanghai 74 1/2
T/T Japan 93 1/2	T/T Japan 93 1/2
T/T India 141 1/2	T/T India 141 1/2
T/T Bombay 141 1/2	T/T Bombay 141 1/2
Demand Bombay 142	Demand Bombay 142
T/T Calcutta 141 1/2	T/T Calcutta 141 1/2
Demand Calcutta 142	Demand Calcutta 142
Demand India 142 1/2	Demand India 142 1/2
Demand Manila 94	Demand Manila 94
T/T San Francisco & New York 46 1/2	T/T San Francisco & New York 46 1/2
T/T Java 115 1/2	T/T Java 115 1/2

Subsidiary Coins.	Opium Quotation.
Discount per \$100	Jan 17
Chinese 20 cts. pieces 112 3/4	Malwa, New 15,800 per pic
Chinese 10 112 1/2	Malwa, Old 5,900
Hongkong 20 112 1/2	Patna, New 6,575 per pic
Hongkong 10 112 1/2	Patna, Old 6,450
	Benares, New 6,350
	Benares, Old 6,225

TO-DAY'S SHARE REPORT.

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE.	CLOSING QUOTATION.	LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.
Hongkong & Shanghai 125	112 1/2	22 & 5/- b. at ex 1/11/13 equal to \$23.25 for 14 year ending 31/12/13
Cantons 50	32 1/2	618 for 1912
North China 25	113 1/2	Final of 1 p.d. making 5 p.d. for 1912
Unions 100	84 1/2	Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1911 and Interim of \$30 for 1912
Yangtze 250	113 1/2	Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1911 & Int. of \$3 for 1912
China Fires 20	115 1/2	\$10 for 1911
Hongkong Fires 50	49 1/2	\$27 for 1911
China & Manilla 25	9 1/2	\$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship 50	35 1/2	\$2.50 for year end 30/6/13
Steamboats 15	28 1/2	Final

